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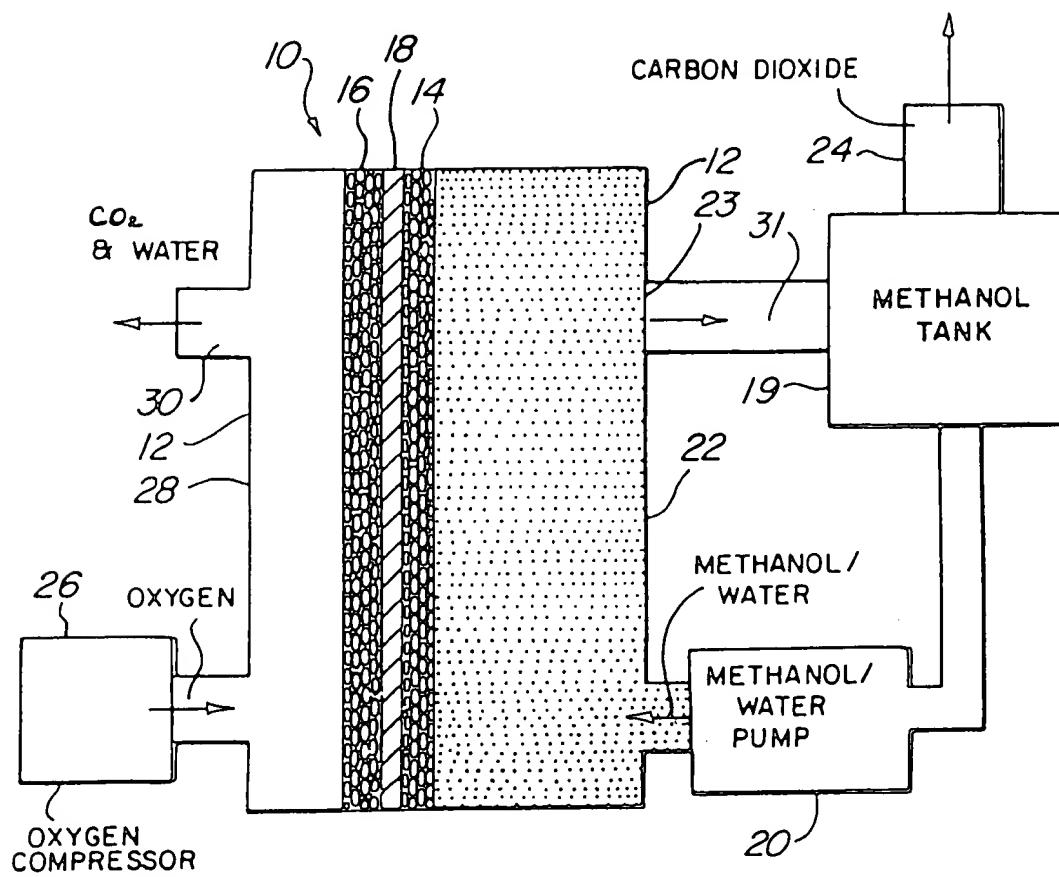
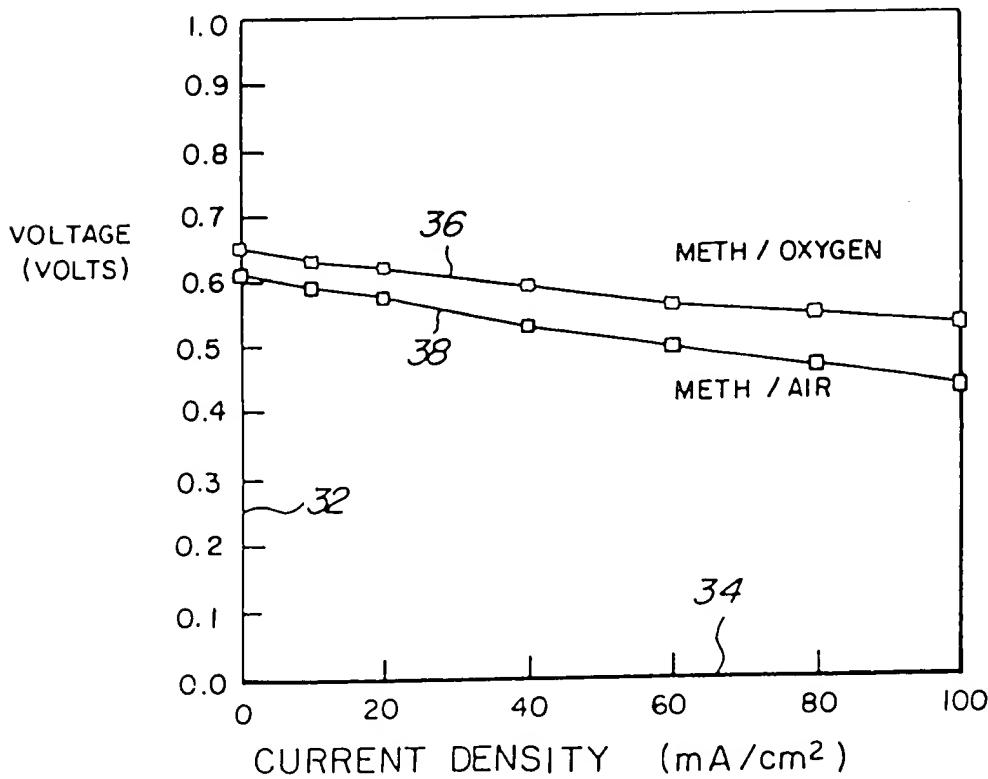


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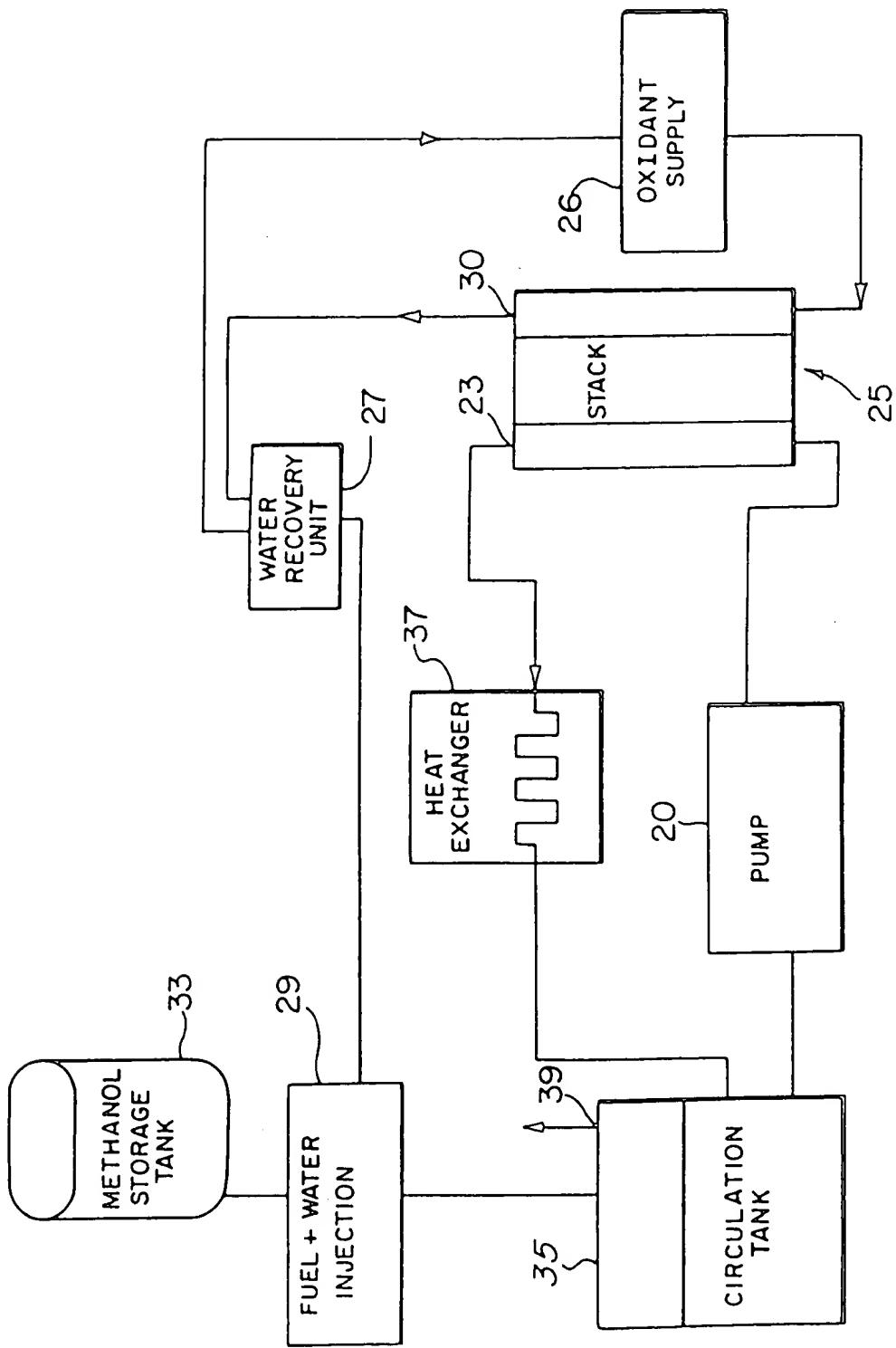


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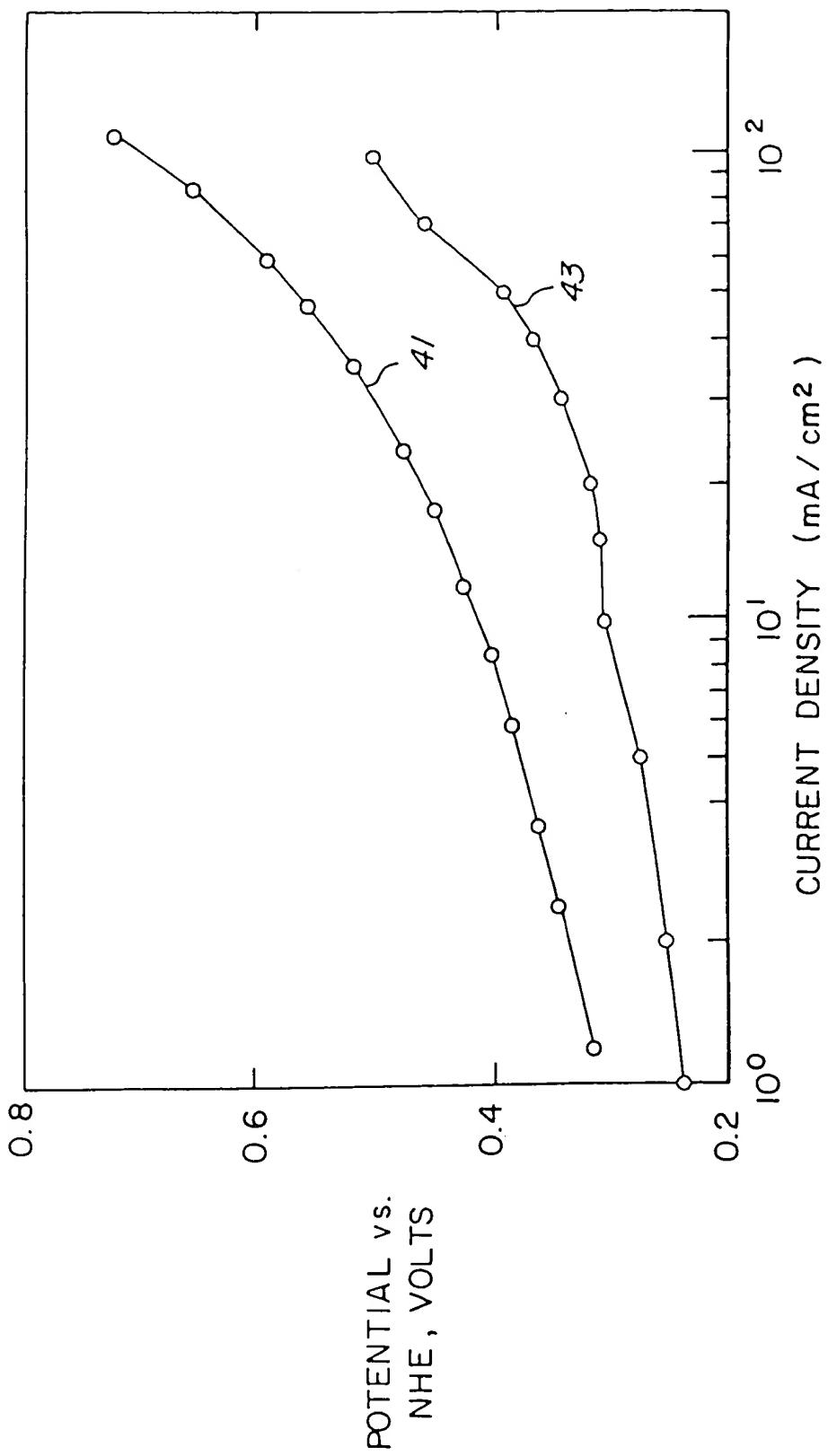


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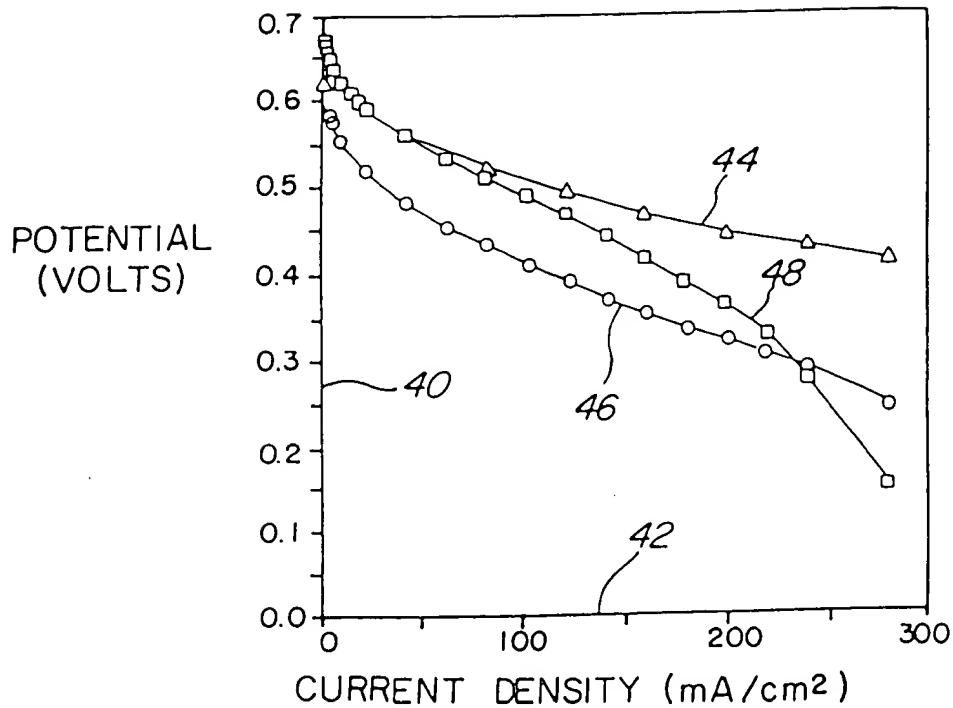
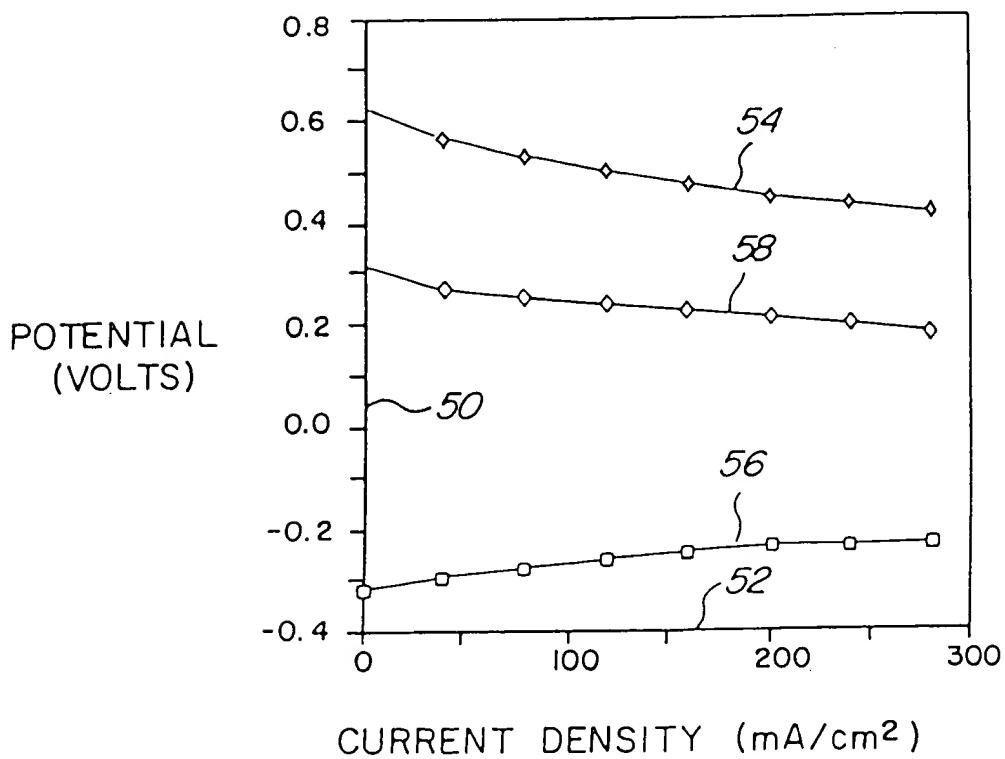


FIG. 6



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IMMERSE THE CARBON ELECTRODE STRUCTURE IN 1% SOLUTION OF NAFION IN METHANOL FOR ABOUT 5 MINUTES TO ACHIEVE IMPREGNATION OF THE NAFION INTO THE ELECTRODE TO A LOADING OF 0.1 – 0.5 mg / cm².

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REMOVE ELECTRODE FROM SOLUTION AND DRY IN VACUUM.

FIG. 7

FIG. 11

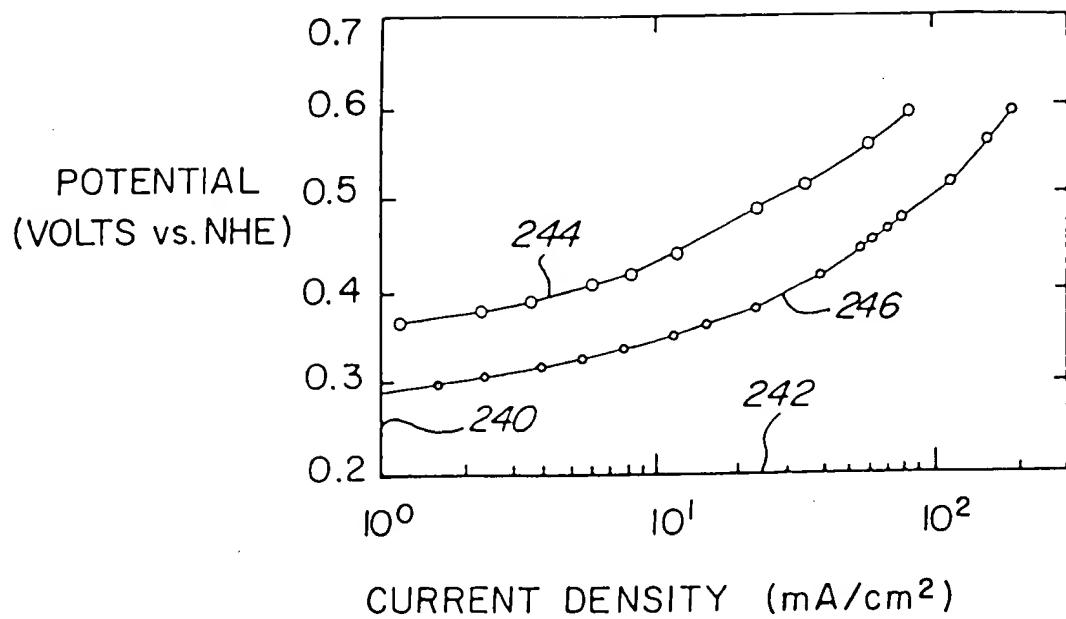
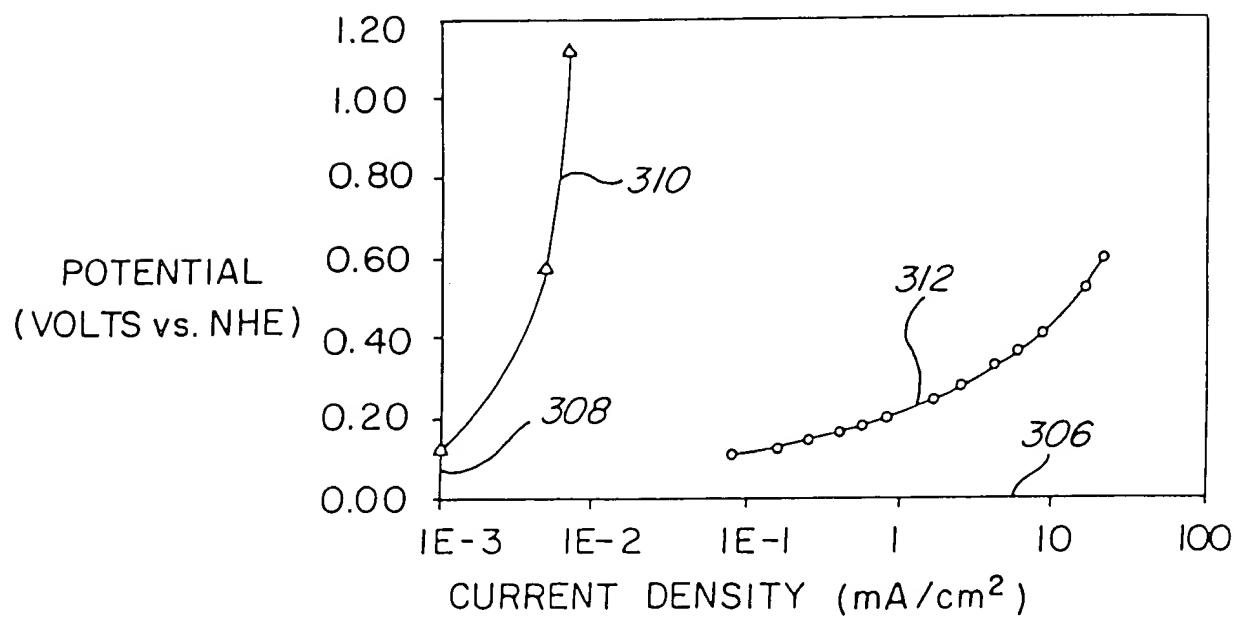


FIG. 8



PREPARE CARBON ELECTRODE STRUCTURES FROM
A MIXTURE OF 200m²/g HIGH SURFACE AREA
CARBON PARTICLES AND TEFLON BINDER (15%)
APPLIED TO A FIBER-BASE CARBON PAPER.

200

PREPARE A BATH OF HYDROGEN
HEXACHLOROPALTINATE AND POTASSIUM
PENTACHLOROQUORUTHENIUM WITH A METAL
ION CONCENTRATION IN THE RANGE OF 0.01-0.05M
DISSOLVED IN 1M SULFURIC ACID.

202

ADD PERFLUOROOCTANESULFONIC ACID TO BATH
WITH A CONCENTRATION IN THE RANGE OF 0.1-1.0g l⁻¹

204

POSITION THE CARBON ELECTRODE IN THE BATH
ALONG WITH A PLATINUM ANODE.

206

APPLY A VOLTAGE BETWEEN THE CARBON
ELECTRODE AND THE ANODE FOR ABOUT 5-10
MINUTES TO ACHIEVE ELECTRODEPOSITION OF
PLATINUM-RUTHENIUM TO A LOADING OF
ABOUT 5mg /cm².

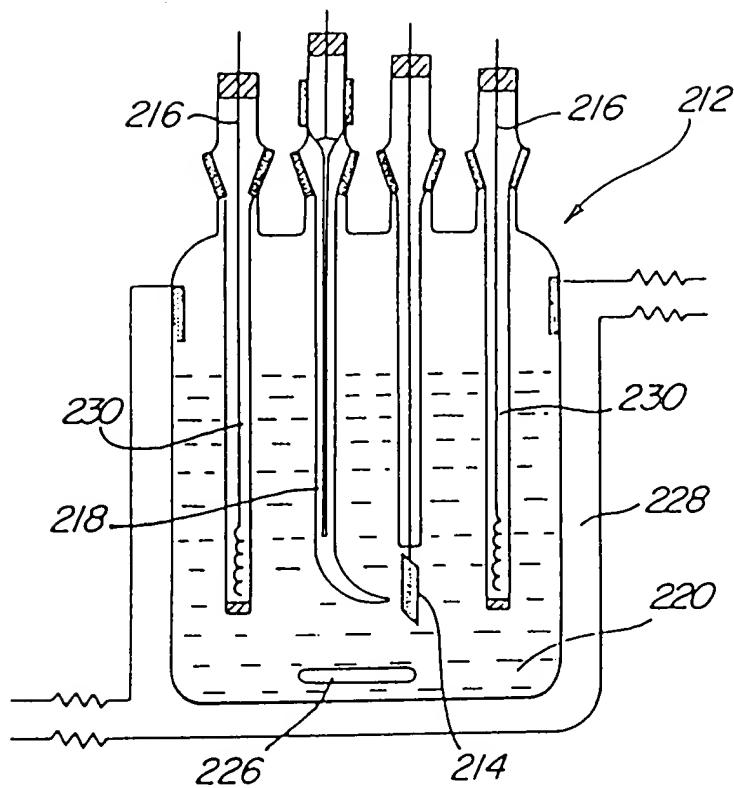
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REMOVE CARBON ELECTRODES FROM BATH AND
WASH IN DEIONIZED WATER.

FIG. 9

FIG. 10



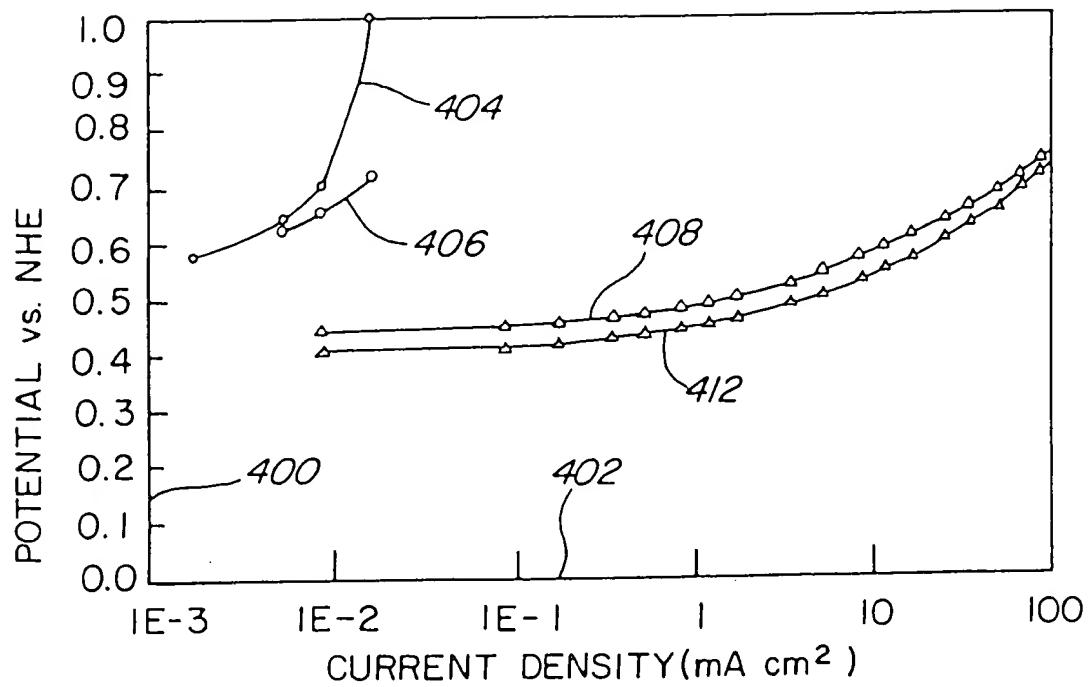


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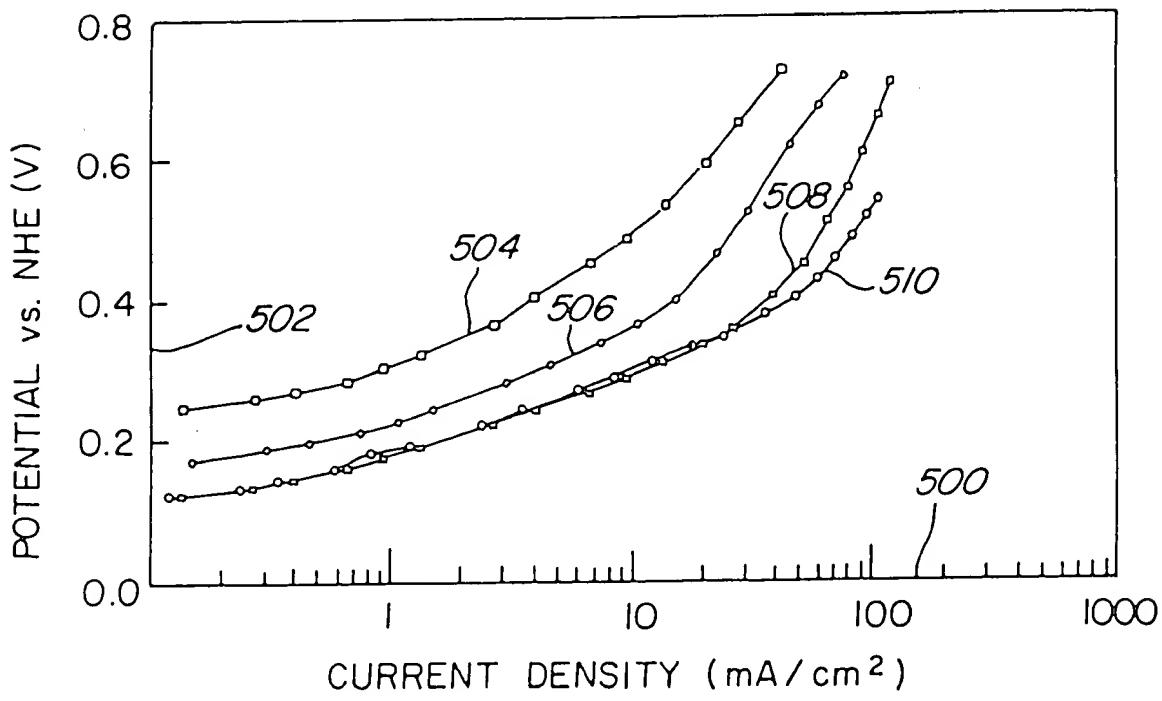


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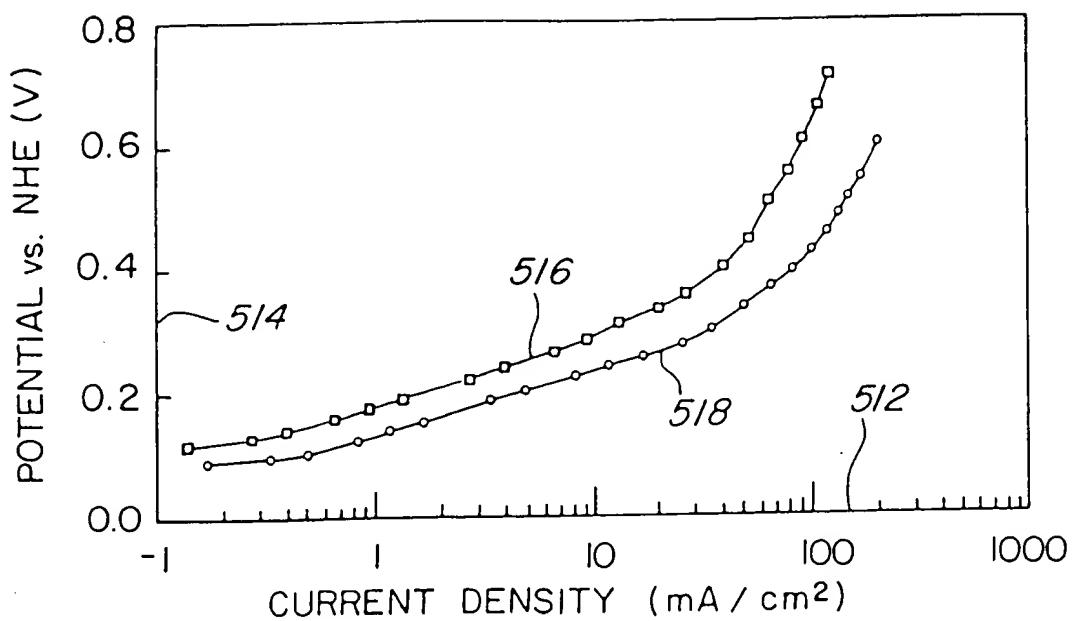


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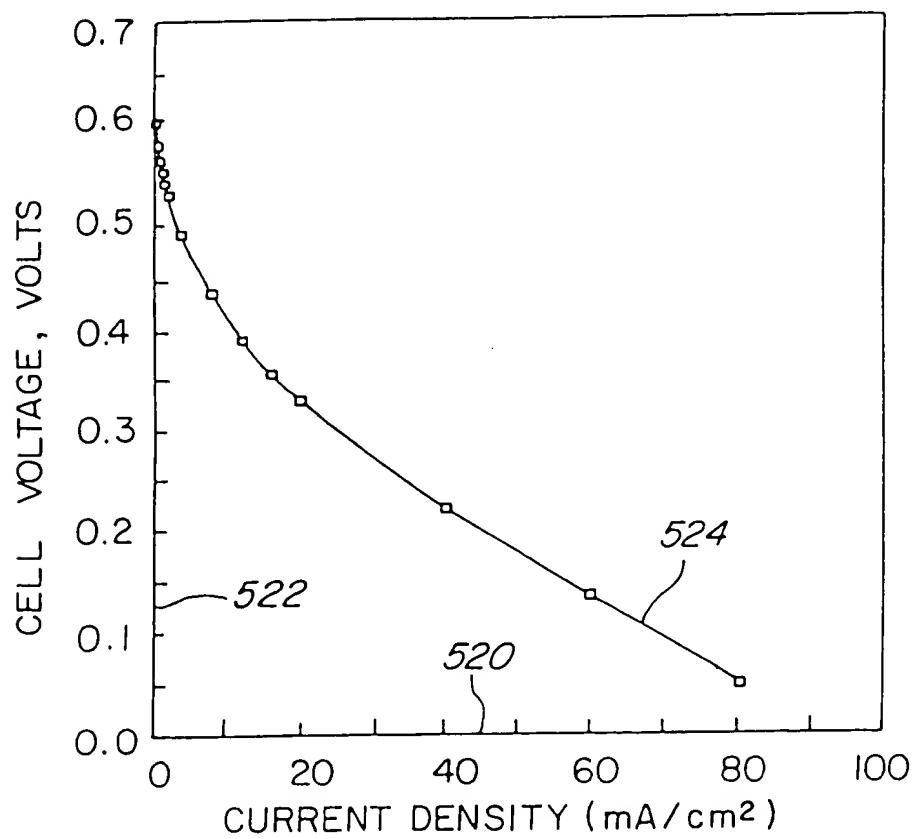


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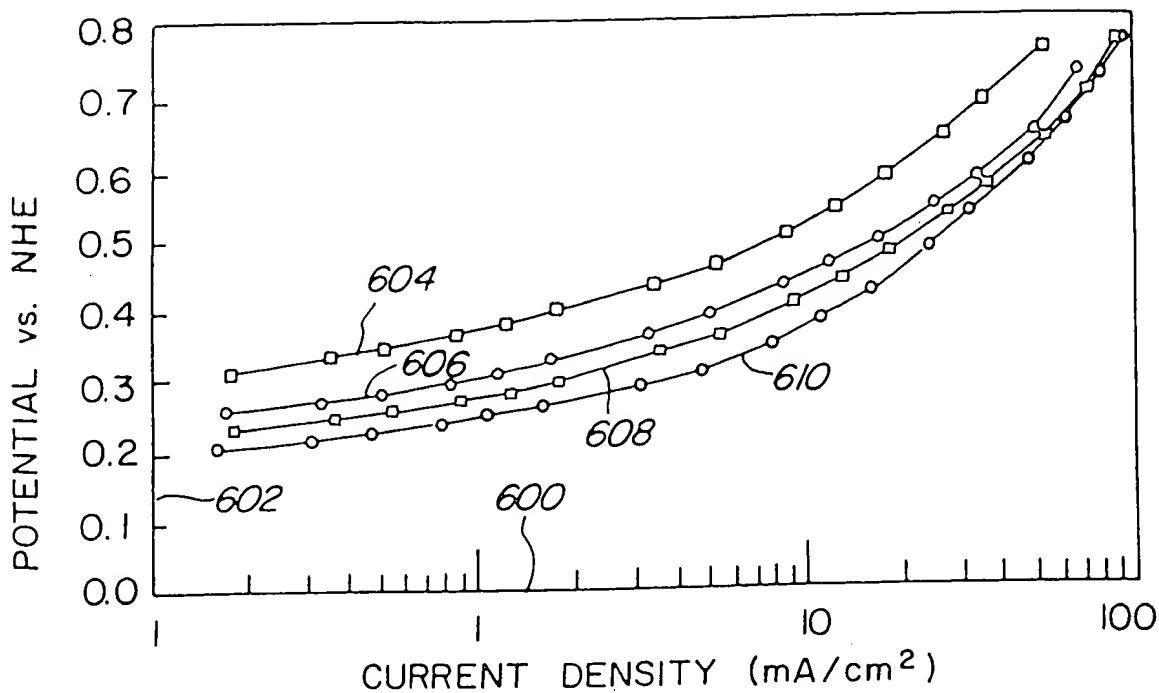


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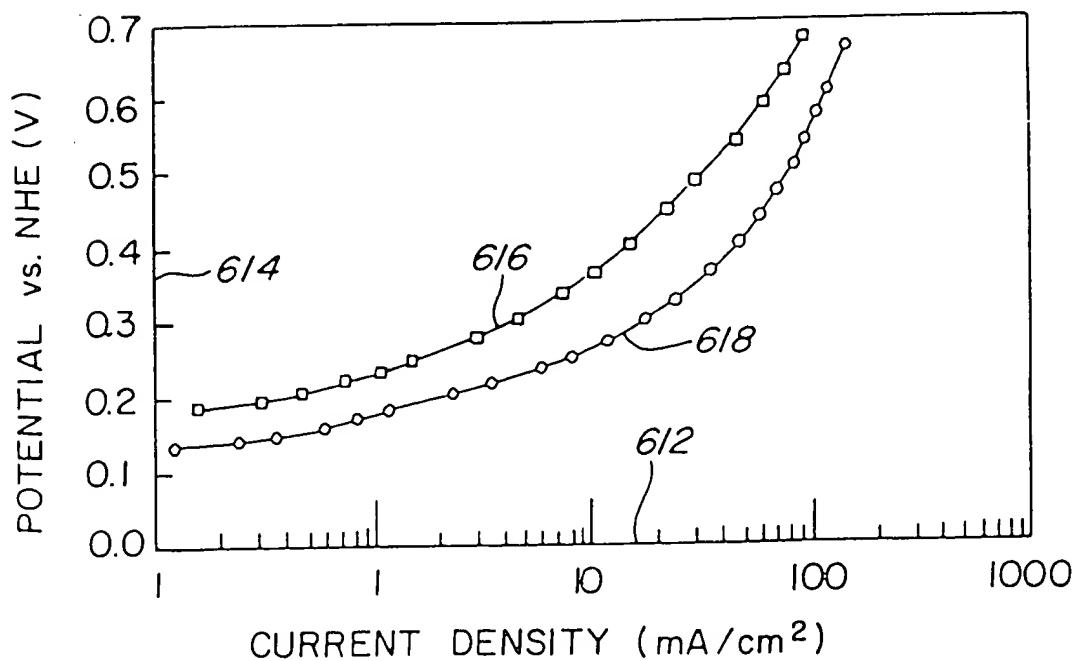


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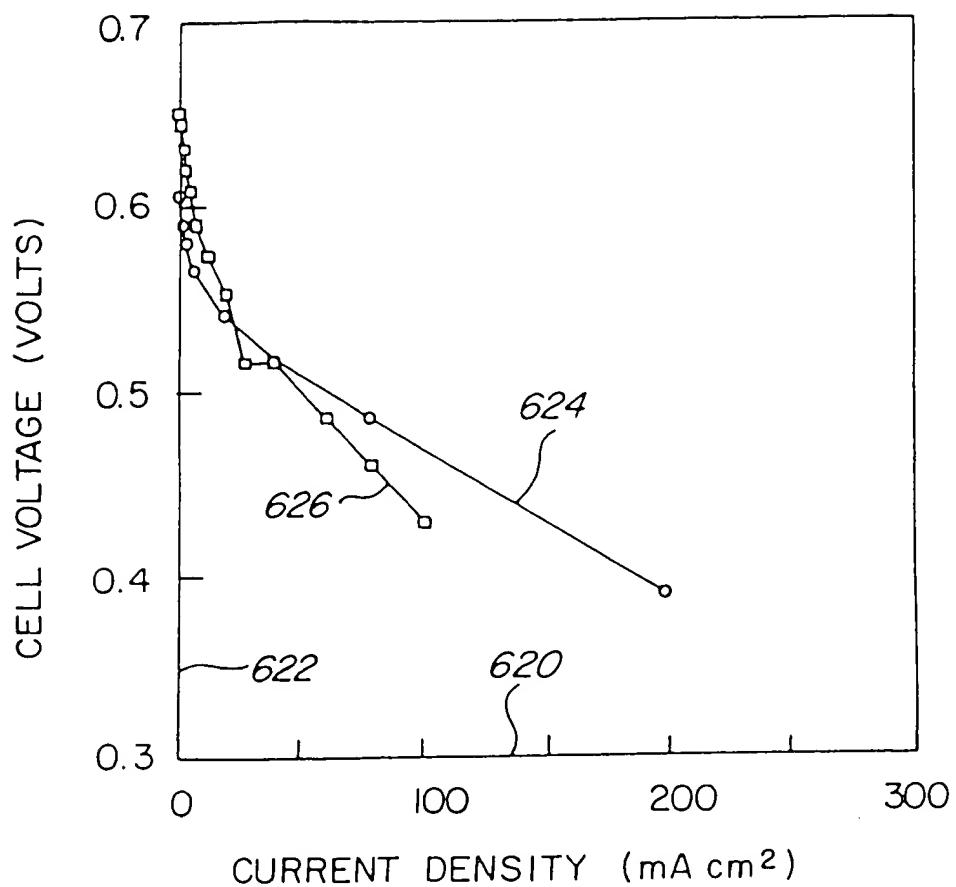


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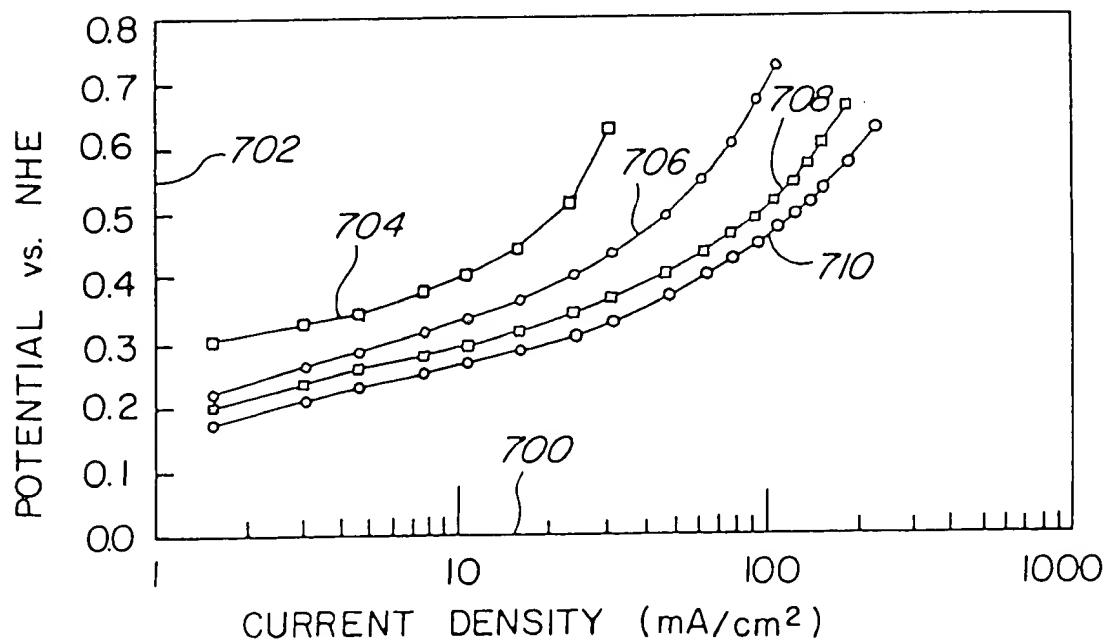


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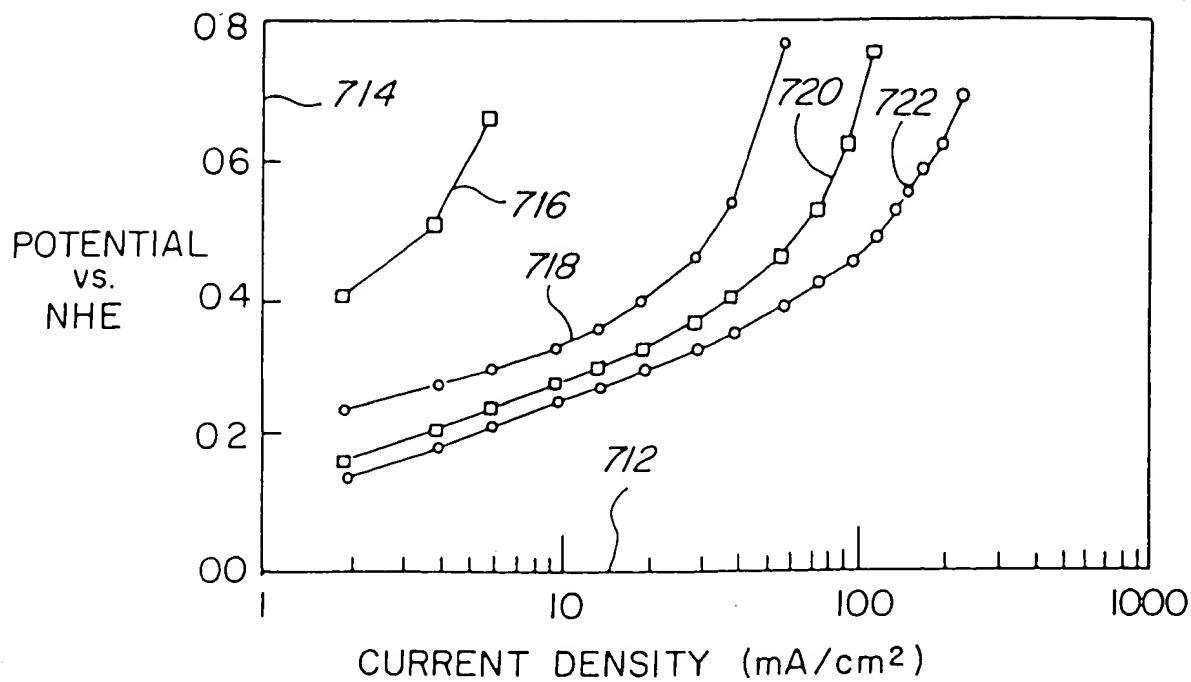


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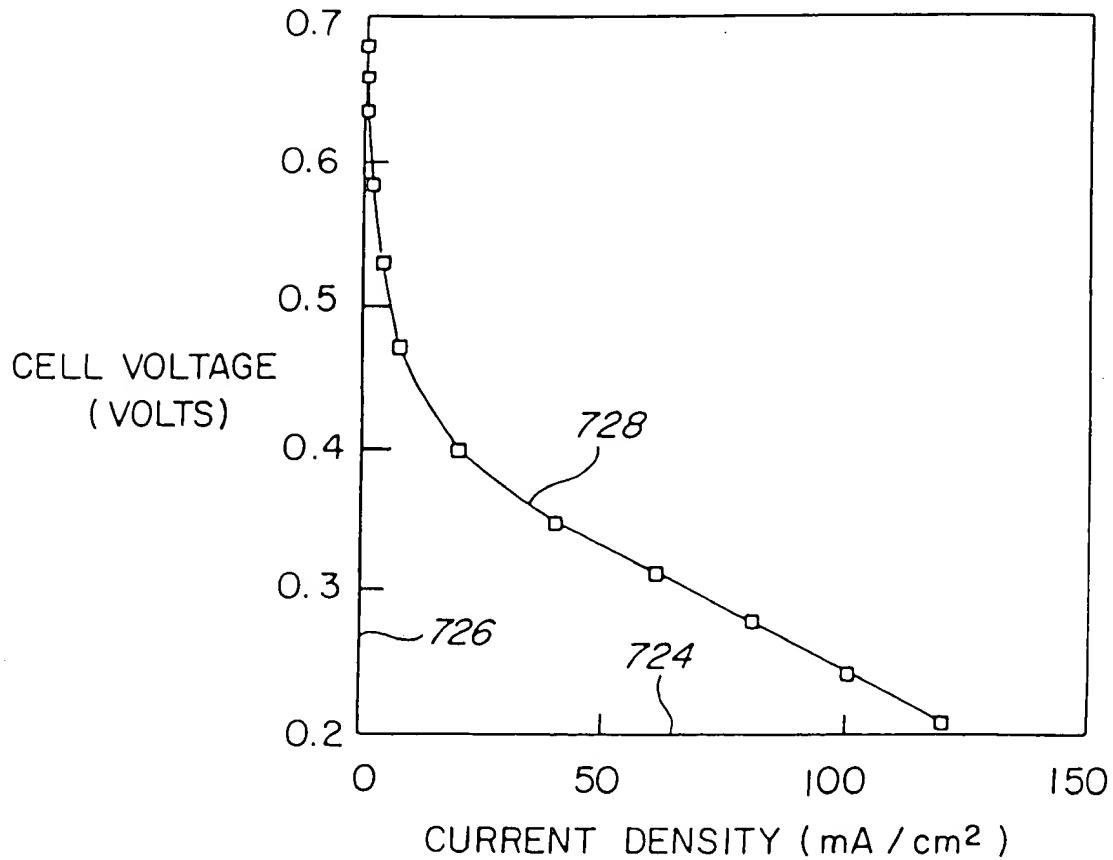


FIG. 21